

Table 38.
Percentage distribution, by poverty status and selected characteristics, 2001

Characteristic	Total	Family income relative to poverty threshold							
		Under 100%			100–124%	125–149%	150–199%	200–299%	300% or more
		Subtotal	Under 50%	50–99%					
All recipients	6,312,331	46.3	4.7	41.5	11.9	8.2	10.4	11.5	11.7
Sex									
Male	2,602,535	40.9	5.8	35.1	10.9	9.3	11.4	12.8	14.6
Female	3,709,797	50.0	4.0	46.0	12.6	7.5	9.8	10.5	9.7
Age									
Under 18	846,010	35.6	13.1	22.5	14.4	8.5	13.6	18.0	9.9
18–64	3,566,871	48.0	4.8	43.2	8.9	8.7	10.7	12.4	11.3
65 or older	1,899,450	47.8	0	46.8	16.4	7.2	8.6	6.8	13.3
Race									
White	3,777,325	44.5	3.2	41.3	11.3	7.4	11.2	13.4	12.2
Black	1,985,433	52.1	7.9	44.2	13.7	8.9	9.6	7.4	8.4
American Indian, Alaska Native	136,997	a	a	a	a	a	a	a	a
Asian, Pacific Islander	412,576	25.0	2.1	23.0	11.6	14.5	9.3	14.5	25.2
Ethnicity									
Hispanic	1,130,540	36.5	2.7	33.8	15.7	9.7	10.5	13.3	14.2
Non-Hispanic	5,181,791	48.4	5.2	43.2	11.1	7.9	10.4	11.0	11.2
Marital status									
Married	1,229,275	38.6	4.1	34.5	9.5	11.0	13.5	13.4	14.1
Widowed	1,101,608	51.9	2.4	49.5	16.6	5.5	6.7	6.1	13.1
Divorced or separated	1,466,350	61.8	2.7	59.1	10.6	6.4	7.7	6.6	6.9
Never married	2,515,098	38.5	7.3	31.2	11.9	9.1	12.2	15.7	12.7
Years of education									
0–8	1,822,723	51.4	3.2	48.2	14.1	7.7	6.8	10.9	9.2
9–11	1,317,979	52.3	7.6	44.7	12.2	7.9	8.6	10.6	8.3
12	1,658,740	38.3	2.2	36.1	10.6	9.0	14.4	11.4	16.2
13–15	638,113	52.0	3.4	48.5	6.7	10.6	10.8	11.2	8.8
16 or more	235,901	37.1	0	37.1	8.1	2.2	12.9	7.6	32.0
Unknown	638,875	37.4	13.0	24.4	15.2	8.3	13.0	16.8	9.4

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, SSA administrative records, matched to U.S. Census Bureau, 2001 Survey of Income and Program Participation (SIPP), wave 2, reference month 4.

NOTES: Individuals receiving SSI benefits in reference month 4 of wave 2 of the 2001 SIPP are identified using SSA administrative data for those who provided a valid Social Security number and using self-reported SIPP data for those who did not provide a valid number. The unweighted sample size is 1,729 cases for all SSI recipients: 209 cases aged 17 or younger, 1,061 cases aged 18 to 64, and 459 cases aged 65 or older.

Cells that contain less than 1.0 percent of all beneficiaries are rounded to zero because of concerns about sampling variability. Therefore, some distributions will not add to the total.

Family income data and poverty thresholds are based on the 4 months included in wave 2 of the 2001 SIPP. This represents a change from tables for previous years, in which annual income and poverty data were reported.

a. Sample size is too small to support statistically reliable estimates. Distributions for which the base is fewer than 150,000 weighted cases are not shown.

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